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H. R. 4707

To authorize a joint assessment of quantity of precision guided munitions for use by Israel, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania (for himself and Mr. GRAVES of Georgia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Procure PGMS For
5 Israel Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) Hezbollah constitutes a major threat.

1 (2) Israel uses precision guided munitions to
2 save civilian lives.

3 (3) Congress authorized the War Reserves
4 Stockpile-Israel primarily for use by United States
5 Armed Forces to address regional contingencies.

6 (4) Israeli supplies of precision guided muni-
7 tions dwindled during the 2006 Lebanon War.

8 (5) Given the enhanced threat of Hezbollah to
9 Israel, there is a need to ensure the War Reserves
10 Stock Allies-Israel is sufficiently large to meet the
11 threat while ensuring adequate supplies for the
12 United States.

13 **SEC. 3. JOINT ASSESSMENT OF QUANTITY OF PRECISION**
14 **GUIDED MUNITIONS FOR USE BY ISRAEL.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President, acting through the
16 Secretary of Defense, is authorized to conduct a joint as-
17 sessment with the Government of Israel with respect to
18 the matters described in subsection (b).

19 (b) MATTERS DESCRIBED.—The matters described
20 in this subsection are the following:

21 (1) The quantity and type of precision guided
22 munitions that are necessary for Israel to combat
23 Hezbollah in the event of a sustained armed con-
24 frontation between Israel and Hezbollah.

1 (2) The plan of the Government of Israel to ac-
2 quire such precision guided munitions.

3 (3) The role of the United States to assist the
4 Government of Israel in carrying out the plan de-
5 scribed in paragraph (2), if any.

6 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 15 days after the date
7 on which the joint assessment authorized under subsection
8 (a) is completed, the Secretary shall submit to Congress
9 a report that contains the joint assessment.

10 **SEC. 4. AMENDMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AP-**
11 **PROPRIATIONS ACT, 2005.**

12 Section 12001 of the Department of Defense Appro-
13 priations Act, 2005 (Public Law 108–287; 118 Stat.
14 1011) is amended—

15 (1) in subsection (a)(2), by inserting “(other
16 than precision guided munitions)” after “and other
17 munitions”;

18 (2) in subsection (c), by striking “this section”
19 and inserting “subsection (a)”;

20 (3) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
21 section (e); and

22 (4) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
23 lowing:

1 “(d)(1) Notwithstanding section 514 of the Foreign
2 Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321h), the President
3 is authorized to—

4 “(A) add precision guided munitions to reserve
5 stocks for Israel; and

6 “(B) transfer precision guided munitions from
7 reserve stocks for Israel to or for use by the Govern-
8 ment of Israel for the purpose of assisting Israel de-
9 fend itself against rockets fired by Hezbollah or
10 other terrorist organizations within the prior 30
11 days and with the likely possibility of a sustained
12 conflict between Hezbollah and Israel.

13 “(2) Not later than 5 days before making a transfer
14 under paragraph (1), the President shall certify to the
15 Committees on Foreign Relations and Armed Services of
16 the Senate and the Committees on Foreign Affairs and
17 Armed Services of the House of Representatives that the
18 transfer of the precision guided munitions—

19 “(A) meets the requirements described in para-
20 graph (1)(B);

21 “(B) does not affect the ability of the United
22 States to maintain a sufficient supply of precision
23 guided munitions; and

24 “(C) does not harm the combat readiness of the
25 United States or the ability of the United States to

1 meet its commitment to allies for the sale of such
2 munitions.”.

3 **SEC. 5. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

4 It is the sense of Congress that Department of De-
5 fense should work with the defense industrial base to en-
6 sure it is able to produce precision guided munitions with
7 greater rapidity in order to resupply United States efforts
8 to combat the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL)
9 and to assist allies such as Israel in their fight against
10 Hezbollah.

11 **SEC. 6. MODIFICATION OF RAPID ACQUISITION AND DE-**
12 **PLOYMENT PROCEDURES.**

13 (a) REQUIREMENT TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 806(a) of the Bob
15 Stump National Defense Authorization Act for Fis-
16 cal Year 2003 (10 U.S.C. 2302 note; 116 Stat.
17 2607) is amended—

18 (A) in paragraph (1)(C), by striking “;
19 and” at the end;

20 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking the pe-
21 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

22 (C) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(3) urgently needed to support production of
24 precision guided munitions—

1 “(A) for United States counterterrorism
2 missions; or

3 “(B) to assist an ally of the United States
4 under direct missile threat from an organization
5 the Secretary of State has designated as a for-
6 eign terrorist organization pursuant to section
7 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8
8 U.S.C. 1189).”.

9 (2) PRESCRIPTION OF PROCEDURES.—The Sec-
10 retary of Defense shall prescribe procedures for the
11 rapid acquisition and deployment of supplies and as-
12 sociated support services for purposes described in
13 paragraph (3) of section 806(a) of the Bob Stump
14 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
15 2003, as added by paragraph (1) of this subsection,
16 not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
17 ment of this Act.

18 (b) USE OF AMOUNTS IN SPECIAL DEFENSE ACQUI-
19 SITION FUND.—Section 114(c)(3) of title 10, United
20 States Code, is amended by inserting at the end before
21 the period the following: “or to assist an ally of the United
22 States that is under direct missile threat, including from
23 a terrorist organization supported by Iran, and such

- 1 threat adversely affects the safety and security of such
- 2 ally''.

